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# The Council on Virginia's Future

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# Presentation Outline

- Overview of the Council and Virginia Performs
- Special Emphasis for 2008: Educational Attainment
- Selected Regional Data

# Overview of the Council and Virginia Performs

# Council on Virginia's Future: A Public-Private Vehicle for Virginia's Long-Term Governance

## ***Origin***

- An advisory board to the Governor and the General Assembly, officially codified in the Virginia Code.
- A forum where legislative, executive branch, and community leaders come together for work that transcends election cycles, partisanship, limited organizational boundaries, and short-term thinking.

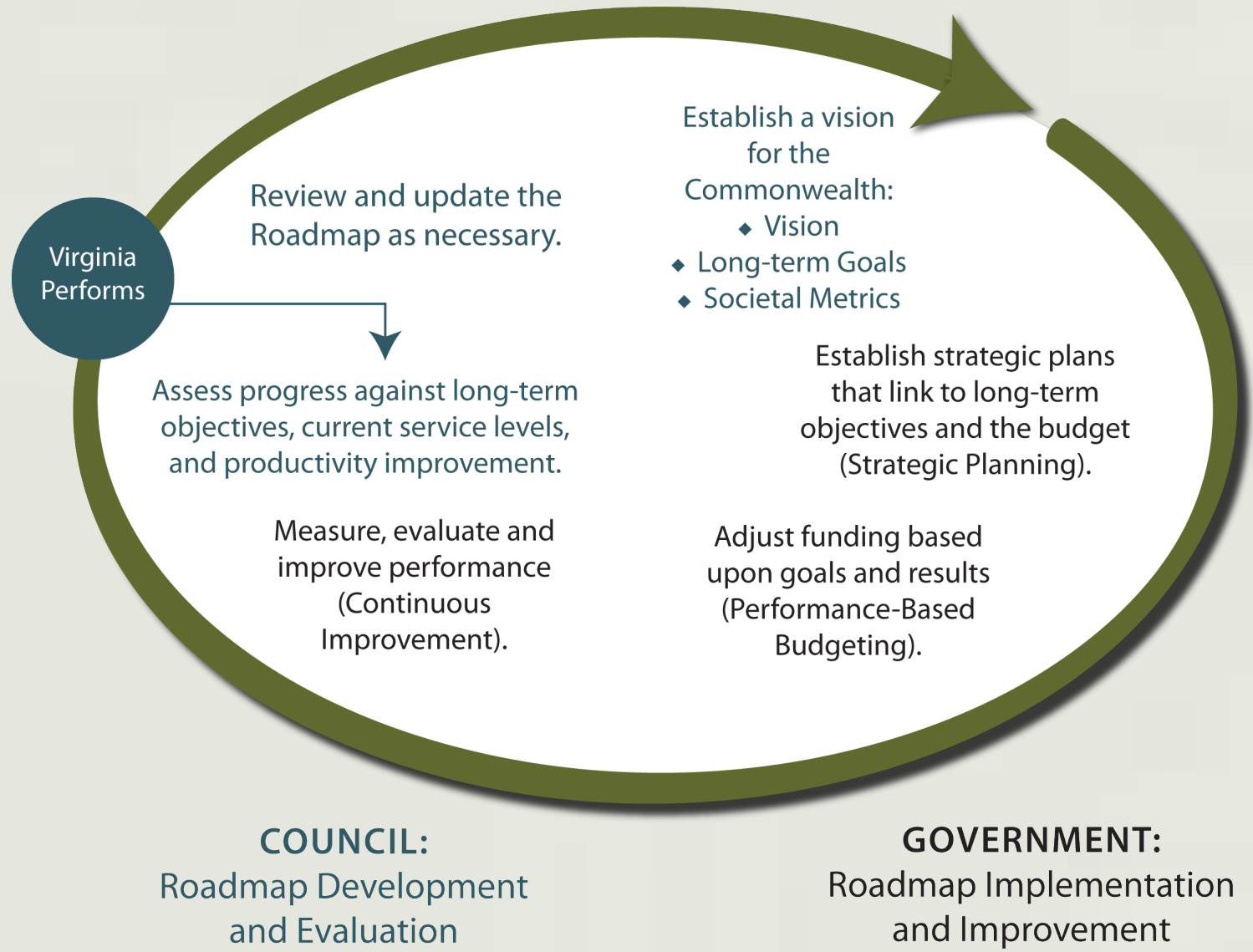
## ***Purpose***

- Provide long-term focus on high priority issues.
- Create an environment for improved policy and budget decision-making.
- Increase government accountability, operations, and performance.
- Inform citizens about performance and engage them in dialogue about Virginia's future.

## ***Membership***

- The Council has 18 members:
  - The Governor who serves as chair
  - Senior legislative leaders:
    - Senate: Colgan, Saslaw, Norment
    - House: Howell, Putney, Griffith, Armstrong
  - Seven business and community leaders
  - Two members of the Governor's Cabinet

# Roadmap for Virginia's Future

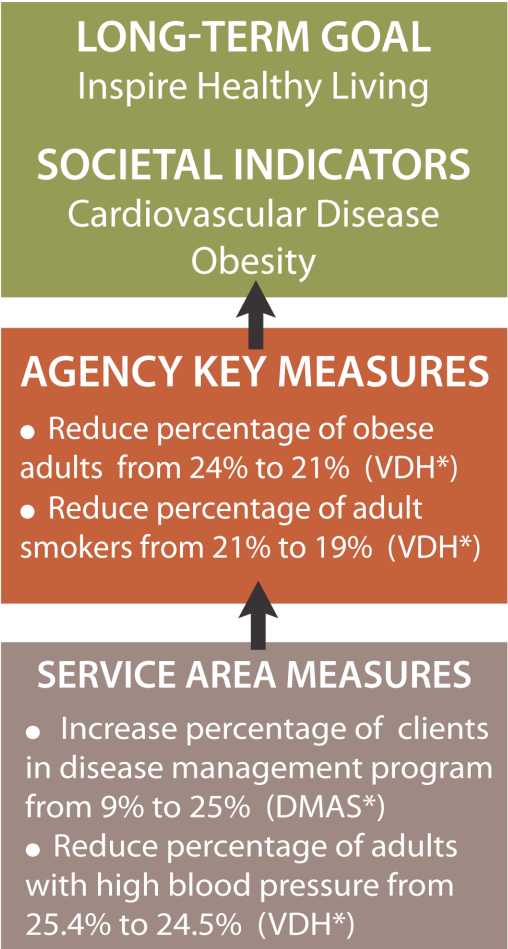


# Virginia Performs Architecture

## Charting a Course for Excellence



## Health & Family Examples



} How is Virginia doing?

} Are we getting results on our highest priorities?

} What are the expectations for our service areas?

\* The acronym VDH stands for the Virginia Department of Health; DMAS stands for the Department of Medical Assistance Services.

# Virginia Performs Home Page ([www.VaPerforms.Virginia.Gov](http://www.VaPerforms.Virginia.Gov))

The screenshot shows the Virginia Performs website home page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links to Virginia.gov, Online Services, Help, Governor, and General Assembly. A search bar is also present. Below the navigation bar, the main heading "Virginia Performs" is displayed alongside the "VISION FOCUS RESULTS" logo. A callout points to the search bar, stating: "Download a detailed demographic profile of the state." Another callout points to the "Key Facts & Demographic Data" link, stating: "Create local & regional maps and reports showing data on dozens of measures." The main content area features a large image of a VirginiaCORPS fire truck with the number 108. A callout points to this image, stating: "Public Safety is Strong in Virginia with below-average crime rates and high marks for emergency preparedness." To the right of the image is a message from Governor Tim Kaine. Below the image, the "Measuring Virginia" section is visible, with a callout pointing to it, stating: "Explore how Virginia is doing in crucial areas that affect the quality of life." To the right of the "Measuring Virginia" section is a "Scorecard at a Glance" link, with a callout pointing to it, stating: "Instantly see how Virginia measures up in key areas." Below the "Scorecard at a Glance" link is a "State Agency Strategic Plans, Performance Measures & Management Scorecard" link, with a callout pointing to it, stating: "View state agencies' strategic plans, objectives and measures for their programs and services." At the bottom, there is a navigation bar with links to Home, About Virginia Performs, and various policy areas: Economy, Education, Health & Family, Public Safety, Natural Resources, Transportation, and Government & Citizens.

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Virginia Performs VISION FOCUS RESULTS

Key Facts & Demographic Data  
Mapping: [Intro](#) • [Map It](#)  
[Scorecard at a Glance](#)

A message from Virginia Governor Tim Kaine

The Commonwealth of Virginia is a spectacular place to live. We treasure the heritage and resources that contribute to our high quality of life, but it takes constant planning and fine tuning to maintain this quality and make needed improvements.

This website, brought to you by the Council on Virginia's Future, shows you how we measure the state's current performance, plan for the future and monitor our progress. Click on the links below to see how we're working to make Virginia strong and healthy. Thanks for visiting.  
Governor Tim Kaine

Public Safety is Strong in Virginia with below-average crime rates and high marks for emergency preparedness.

Measuring Virginia

This website shows you how Virginia is doing in areas that affect quality of life for you and your family. Learn more about how the Commonwealth is doing from region to region and compared to other states by exploring the areas below. For more about your own community, visit our [mapping section](#). To learn how Virginia state government is working on your behalf, explore our [state agency strategic plans and performance measure pages](#).

Scorecard at a Glance

State Agency Strategic Plans, Performance Measures & Management Scorecard

Home | About Virginia Performs

Economy Education Health & Family Public Safety Natural Resources Transportation Government & Citizens

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# Scorecard at a Glance

## Scorecard at a Glance

## Virginia Performs VISION FOCUS RESULTS

### Economy

**Goal:** Be a national leader in the preservation and enhancement of our economy.

**Indicators:**

Personal Income/ Wages and Salaries	↑
Poverty	↑
Unemployment	↑
Employment Growth	↑
Workforce Quality	↑
Business Climate	↑
Business Startups	↑

### Education

**Goal:** Elevate the levels of educational preparedness and attainment of our citizens.

**Indicators:**

School Readiness	→
Third Grade Reading	↑
Fourth Grade Reading & Math Achievement	↑
High School Graduation	→
High School Dropout	↑
College Graduation	↑
Educational Attainment	↑
Lifelong Learning	→

### Health & Family

**Goal:** Inspire and support Virginians toward healthy lives and strong and resilient families.

**Indicators:**

<b>Family</b>	
Adoption	↑
Foster Care	→
Child Abuse & Neglect	→
<b>Community Health</b>	
Teen Pregnancy	↑
Obesity	↓
Infant Mortality	→
Suicide	→
Health Insurance	→
Immunization	↑
Cancer	↑
Cardiovascular Disease	↑
Smoking	↑
Life Expectancy	↑

### Public Safety

**Goal:** Protect the public's safety and security, ensuring a fair and effective system of justice and providing a prepared response to emergencies and disasters of all kinds.

**Indicators:**

Crime	↑
Juvenile Intakes	→
Recidivism (Adult & Juvenile)	→
Traffic Fatalities	↓
Emergency Preparedness	↑

### Natural, Historic & Cultural Resources

**Goal:** Protect, conserve and wisely develop our natural, historical and cultural resources.

**Indicators:**

Air Quality	↑
Water Quality	↑
Solid Waste & Recycling	→
Land Preservation	↑
Historic Resources	→

### Transportation

**Goal:** Ensure that Virginia has a transportation system that is safe, enables easy movement of people and goods, enhances the economy and improves our quality of life.

**Indicators:**

Traffic Congestion	↓
Infrastructure Condition	→
Land Use	→

### Government & Citizens

**Goal:** Be recognized as the best-managed state in the nation.

**Indicators:**

Bond Rating	↑
Taxation	↑
Voter Registration & Turnout	→
Consumer Protection	↓
Internet Access	↑

### Legend

**Performance Trend**

- ↓ Worsening
- Maintaining
- ↑ Improving



# Are We Making Progress?

	Improving		Maintaining	Losing Ground
<b>Economy</b>	Personal Income, Wages & Salaries Unemployment Business Startups	Employment Growth Business Climate Poverty Workforce Quality		
<b>Education</b>	Third Grade Reading Fourth Grade Reading & Math Achievement	College Graduation High School Dropout Educational Attainment	School Readiness High School Graduation Lifelong Learning	
<b>Health &amp; Family</b>	Adoption Teen Pregnancy Immunization Cardiovascular Disease	Cancer Smoking Life Expectancy	Foster Care Child Abuse & Neglect Infant Mortality Suicide Health Insurance	Obesity
<b>Public Safety</b>	Crime Emergency Preparedness		Juvenile Intakes Adult & Juvenile Recidivism	Traffic Fatalities
<b>Natural Resources</b>	Air Quality Water Quality	Land Preservation	Solid Waste & Recycling Historic Resources	
<b>Transportation</b>			Infrastructure Condition Land Use	Traffic Congestion
<b>Government &amp; Citizens</b>	Bond Rating Taxation	Internet Access	Voter Registration & Turnout	Consumer Protection

# How Does Virginia Compare to Other States?

Indicator Rank vs. Other States	1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50
<b>ECONOMY</b>					
Personal Income	✓				
Poverty	✓				
Unemployment	✓				
Employment Growth			✓		
Workforce Quality	✓				
Business Climate	✓				
Business Startups		✓			
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Fourth Grade Reading	✓				
Fourth Grade Math		✓			
High School Graduation		✓			
High School Dropout	✓				
College Graduation-Bachelor's Degree		✓			
<b>HEALTH &amp; FAMILY</b>					
Teen Pregnancy		✓			
Obesity			✓		
Infant Mortality				✓	
Suicide		✓			
Health Insurance			✓		
Immunization			✓		
Cardiovascular Disease		✓			
Cancer Deaths			✓		
Smoking			✓		
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>					
Property Crime	✓				
Violent Crime		✓			
Traffic Fatalities		✓			
Emergency Preparedness	✓				
<b>NATURAL RESOURCES</b>					
Historic Districts	✓				
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>					
Traffic Congestion - Commute Time					✓
Infrastructure - Deficient Bridges			✓		
<b>GOVERNMENT &amp; CITIZENS</b>					
Bond Rating	✓				
Taxation		✓			
Voter Turnout				✓	
Consumer Protection - ID Theft				✓	
Internet Access—Digital Government	✓				

# Are Agency Measures Aligned with High-priority Goals?

SOCIETAL INDICATOR				AGENCY		
Indicator	Performance Trend	State Influence		Agency	Key Measure	Baseline/ Target
EDUCATION						
Third Grade Reading	↑	●		Education	Third graders passing the reading SOL test	84%/95%
High School Graduation	→	●		Education	High school students exiting with a diploma	74%/80%
HEALTH AND FAMILY						
Infant Mortality	→	●		Health	Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.4/7.0
Immunization	↑	●		Medical Assistance Services	Medicaid two-year olds fully immunized	87%/90%
PUBLIC SAFETY						
Traffic Fatalities	↓	●		Transportation	Traffic crash-related fatalities	1,071/906
Recidivism	→	●		Juvenile Justice	Juveniles convicted of a new crime within a year of release	40%/35%
NATURAL, CULTURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES						
Water Quality	↑	●		Environmental Quality	Nitrogen nutrients discharged in the Chesapeake Bay watershed (millions of lbs.)	25.7/24.8
				Forestry	Harvest sites with no sediment reaching streams	93%/94%

# Examples of Budget Decision Alignment to Agency Key Measures

HEALTH AND FAMILY						
SOCIETAL			AGENCY			
Indicator	Performance Trend	State Influence	Agency Acronym	Key Measure	Baseline/ Target	Progress
Infant Mortality	➔	●	VDH	Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.4 / 7.0	➔
			VDH	Two-year old children appropriately immunized	84% / 90%	➔
			DMAS	Medicaid/FAMIS-covered births at normal birth weight	90% / 92%	➔
Health Insurance	➔	●	DMAS	FAMIS- & FAMIS Plus-enrolled children utilizing dental services	30.4% / 40%	➔
			DMAS	Well-child visit rate	51% / 70%	➔
			DMAS	Medicaid long-term care spending for home & community services	34.4% / 38%	➔
			DMAS	EPSDT well-child screenings	23% / 50%	➔
Cancer	⬆	●	VDH	Adults who smoke	20.8% / 19%	➔
			VDH	Youth who smoke	15.5% / 14.5%	-
<h3>Expand Health Care Access</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide additional funding for community-based health safety net providers.</li><li>• Support the purchase of additional equipment for the Mission of Mercy dental project.</li><li>• Expand eligibility for prenatal coverage from 185 to 200 percent of Federal poverty level.</li><li>• Provide more free cancer screening and diagnostic tests for uninsured women.</li><li>• Increase health insurance coverage for the uninsured who work in small businesses.</li><li>• Provide funding for uninsured medical catastrophes.</li><li>• Expand coverage for newborns under FAMIS.</li></ul>						

*Special Emphasis:* Educational Attainment

# Educational Attainment Initiative

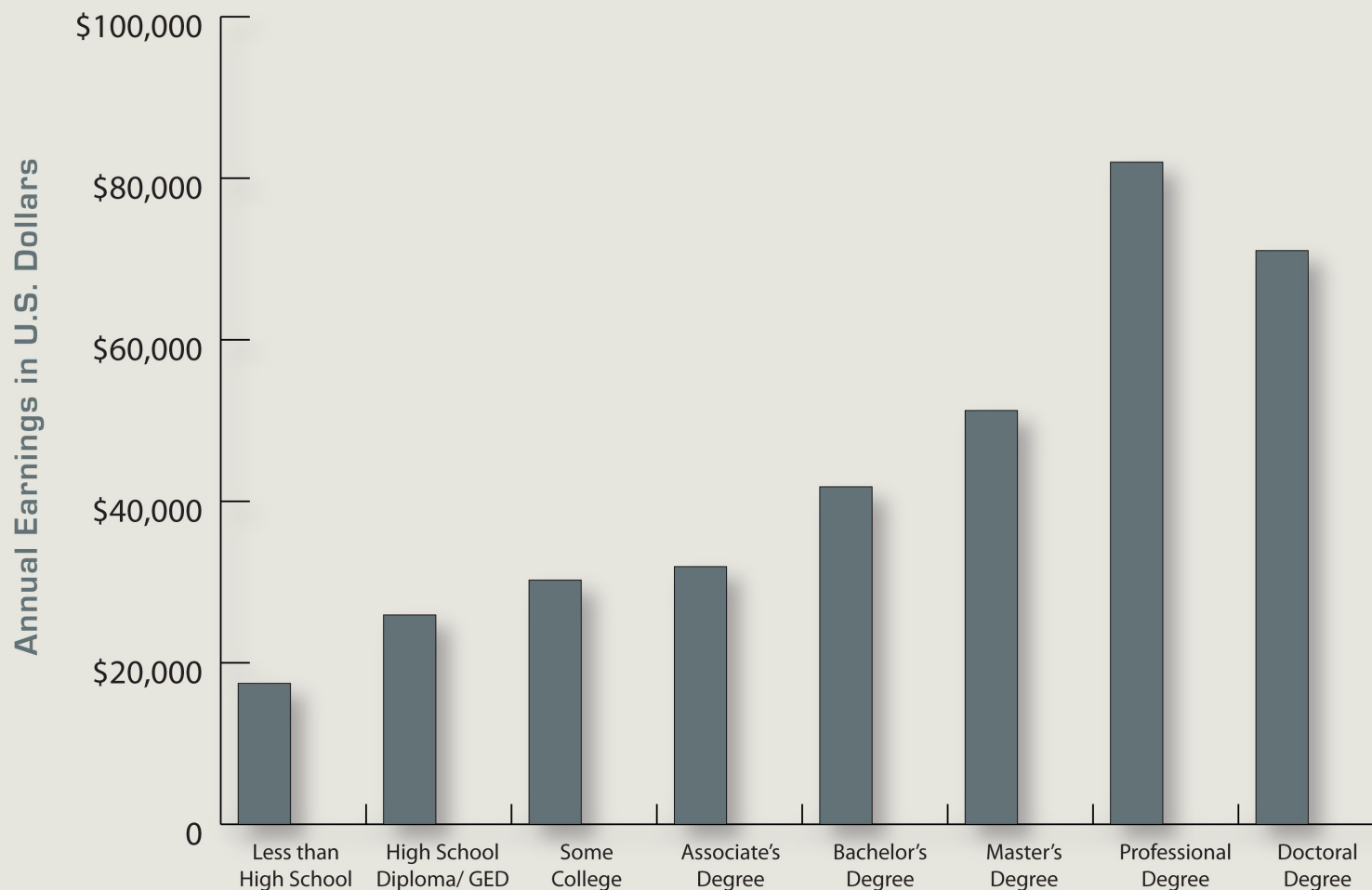
## Background

The Council has long emphasized the critical link between educational outcomes and long-term economic competitiveness.

- Educational attainment is a proven path to better economic status.
- Virginia's high school graduation rate is above the national average but has remained relatively constant over the last 10 years.
- Virginia ranks 19th nationally for high school graduation rate and 11th for bachelor's degrees earned within 6 years.
- Virginia high school graduation rates remain below 70 percent in some regions and below 60 percent in some localities.
- Virginia's rank among the top 10 states in the percentage of adults with advanced degrees is due in part to its success in attracting well-educated residents (including immigrants) to the state.



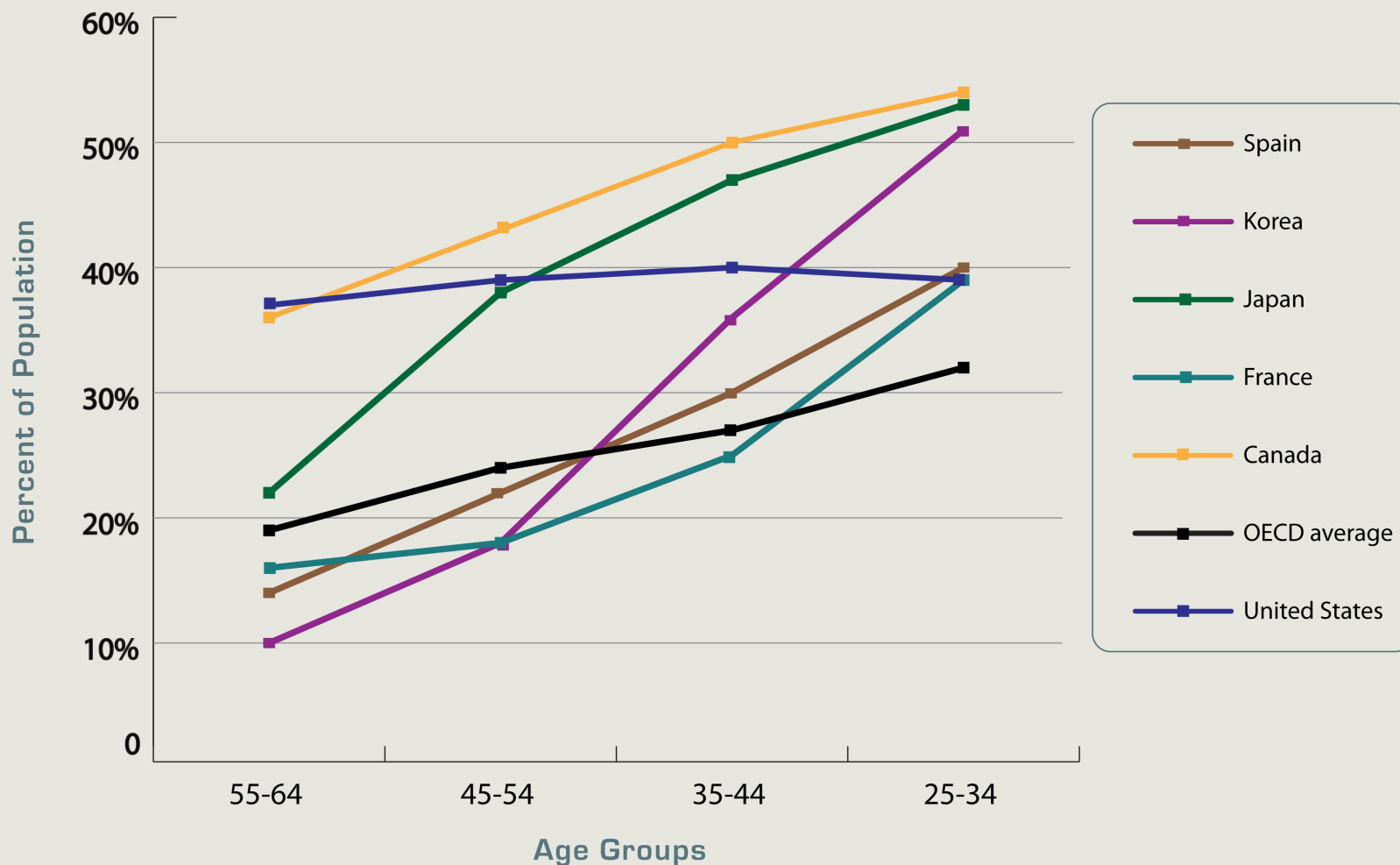
# Effects of Educational Attainment on Earning Power



Earnings in 2003 by Educational Attainment of Workers 25 years and Over

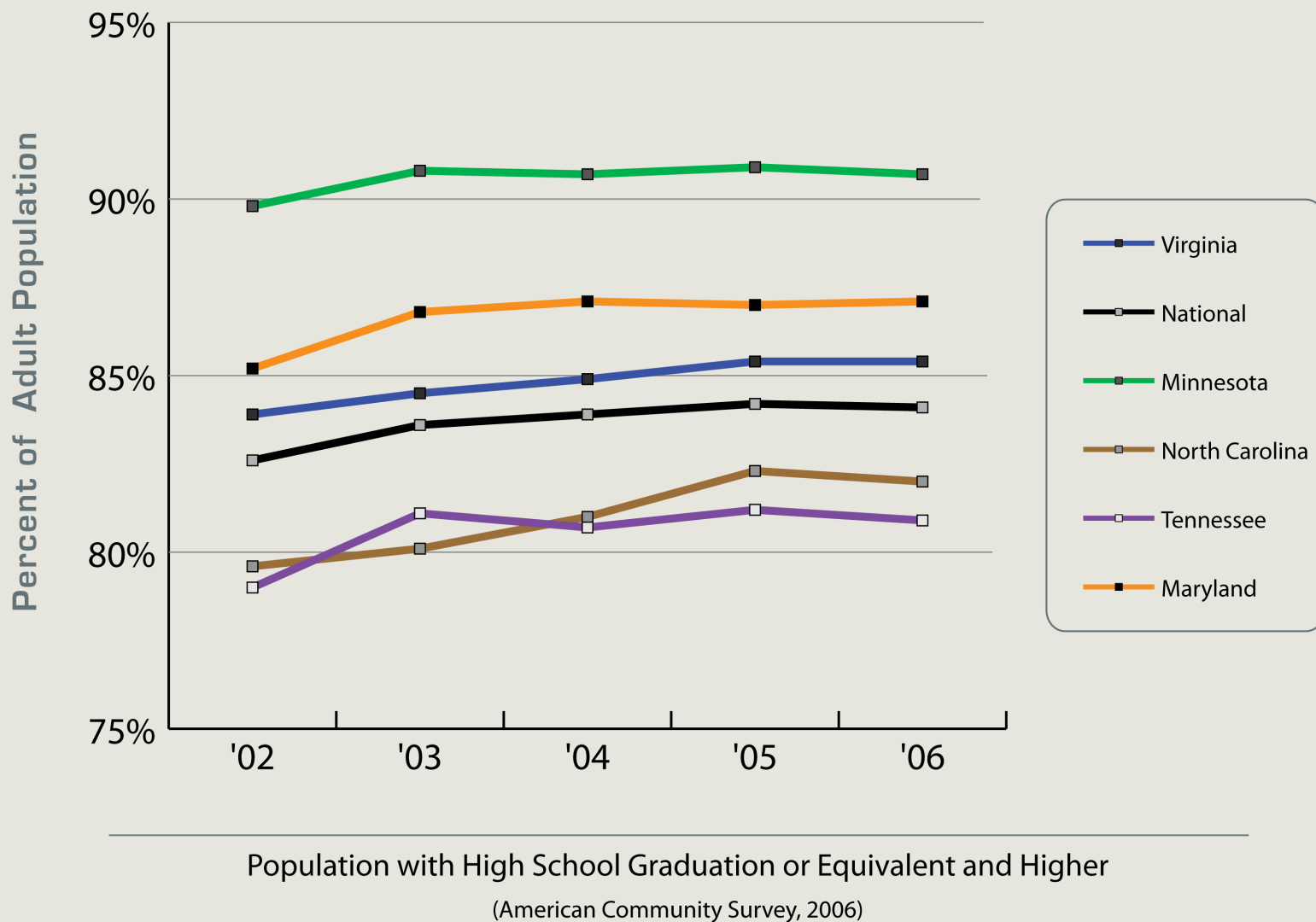
(U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, March 2005)

# Higher Education Attainment, U.S. and Selected Countries, 2005



Population that has Attained Higher Education Qualification, 2005  
(Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development)

# High School Attainment in Virginia (25 or older)



# Education Attrition in Virginia

**100** 

Out of 100 High School Freshman . . .

**75** 

. . . will graduate from high school on time

**47** 

. . . will enroll in post-secondary education

**25** 

. . . will get a 2- or 4-year degree within 150% of normal completion time

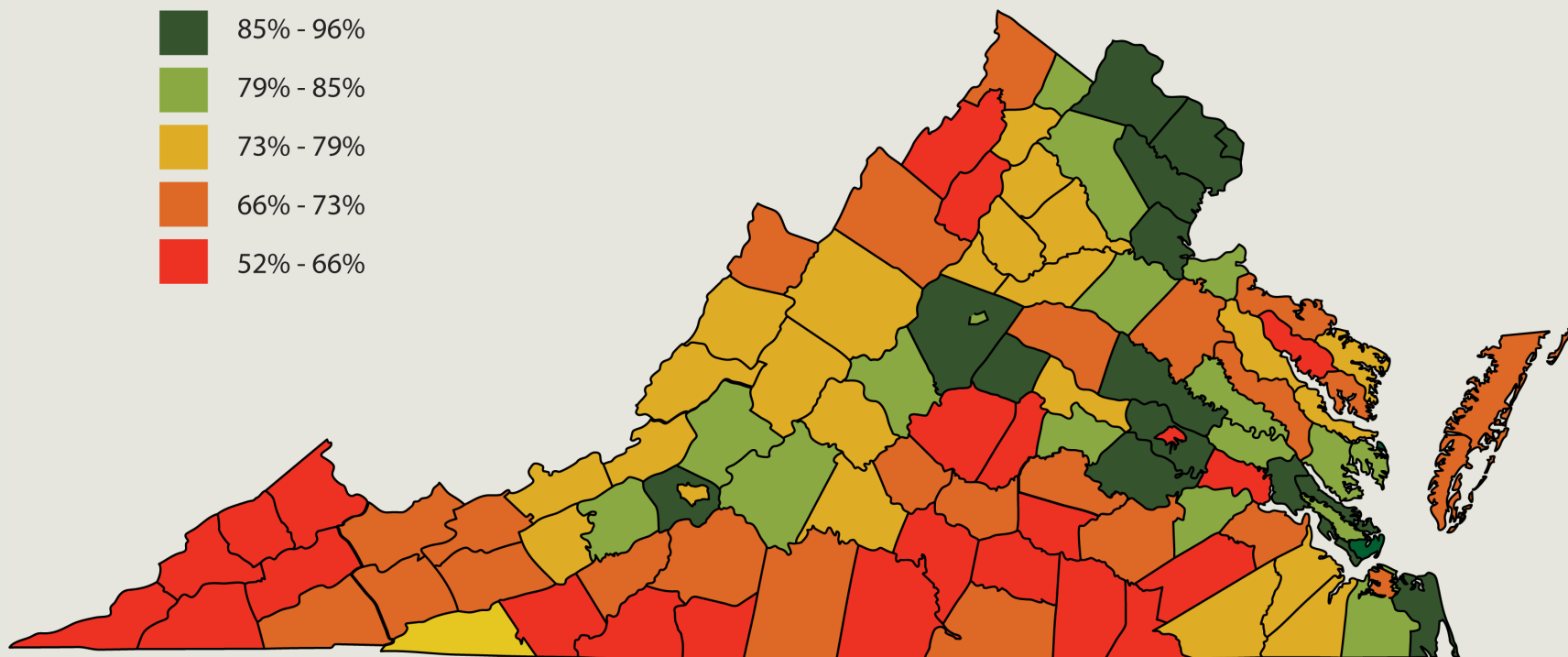
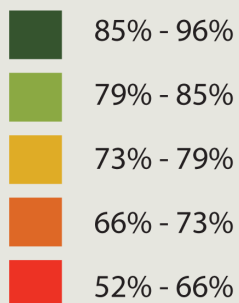
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Attrition Rates in Virginia from High School through College

(State Council of Higher Education for Virginia)

# High School Attainment in Virginia

Percent w/ HS Diploma or More

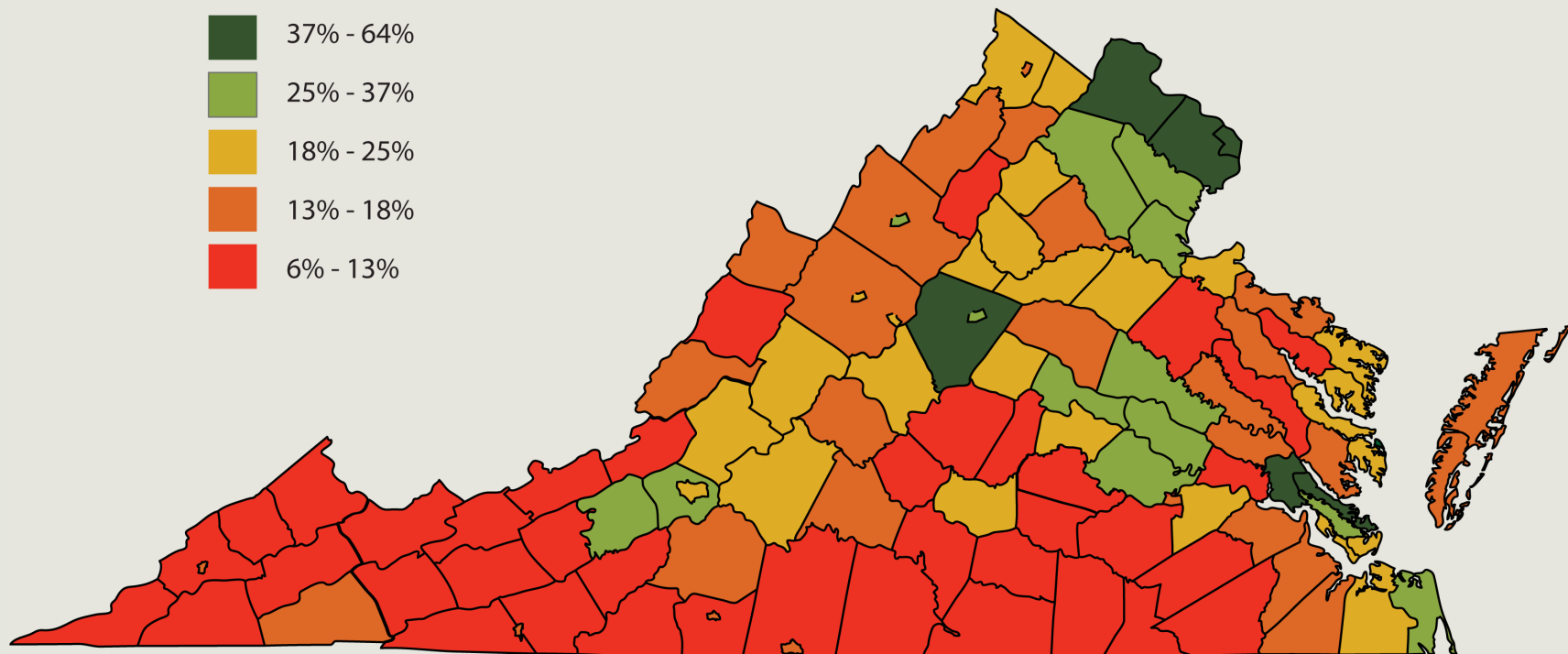


Percent of Persons 25 or Older with a High School Diploma or More

(2000 U.S. Census)

# Higher Education Attainment in Virginia

Percent w/ Bachelor's Degree or Higher



Percent of Persons 25 or Older with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher

(2000 U.S. Census)



# Selected Regional Data

# How Are Our Regions Doing?

Indicator	Regions				
Economy	Eastern	Southside	Southwest	Valley	West Central
Personal Income	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Poverty	↑	→	→	↑	→
Unemployment	↑	→	↑	→	→
Employment Growth	→	→	↓	→	→
Business Startups	↓	↑	↓	↑	↑
Education	Eastern	Southside	Southwest	Valley	West Central
High School Graduation	→	→	↑	→	→
High School Dropout	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Sr. Plans for an Associate's Degree	↑	↓	↑	→	↑
Sr. Plans for a Bachelor's Degree	↓	↑	↓	→	↑
Health and Family	Eastern	Southside	Southwest	Valley	West Central
Foster Care	→	↑	↓	↓	↓
Infant Mortality	↑	→	→	↓	↓
Suicide	↑	↑	↓	↑	↑
Teen Pregnancy	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Cardiovascular Deaths	↑	↑	→	↑	↑
Public Safety	Eastern	Southside	Southwest	Valley	West Central
Property Crime	↑	→	↑	↑	→
Violent Crime	↑	↑	→	→	→
Juvenile Intakes	→	→	↑	→	↑
Traffic Fatalities	→	↑	→	→	→
Natural Resources	Eastern	Southside	Southwest	Valley	West Central
Recycling	→	↑	↑	↑	→

Trend Key:



Improving

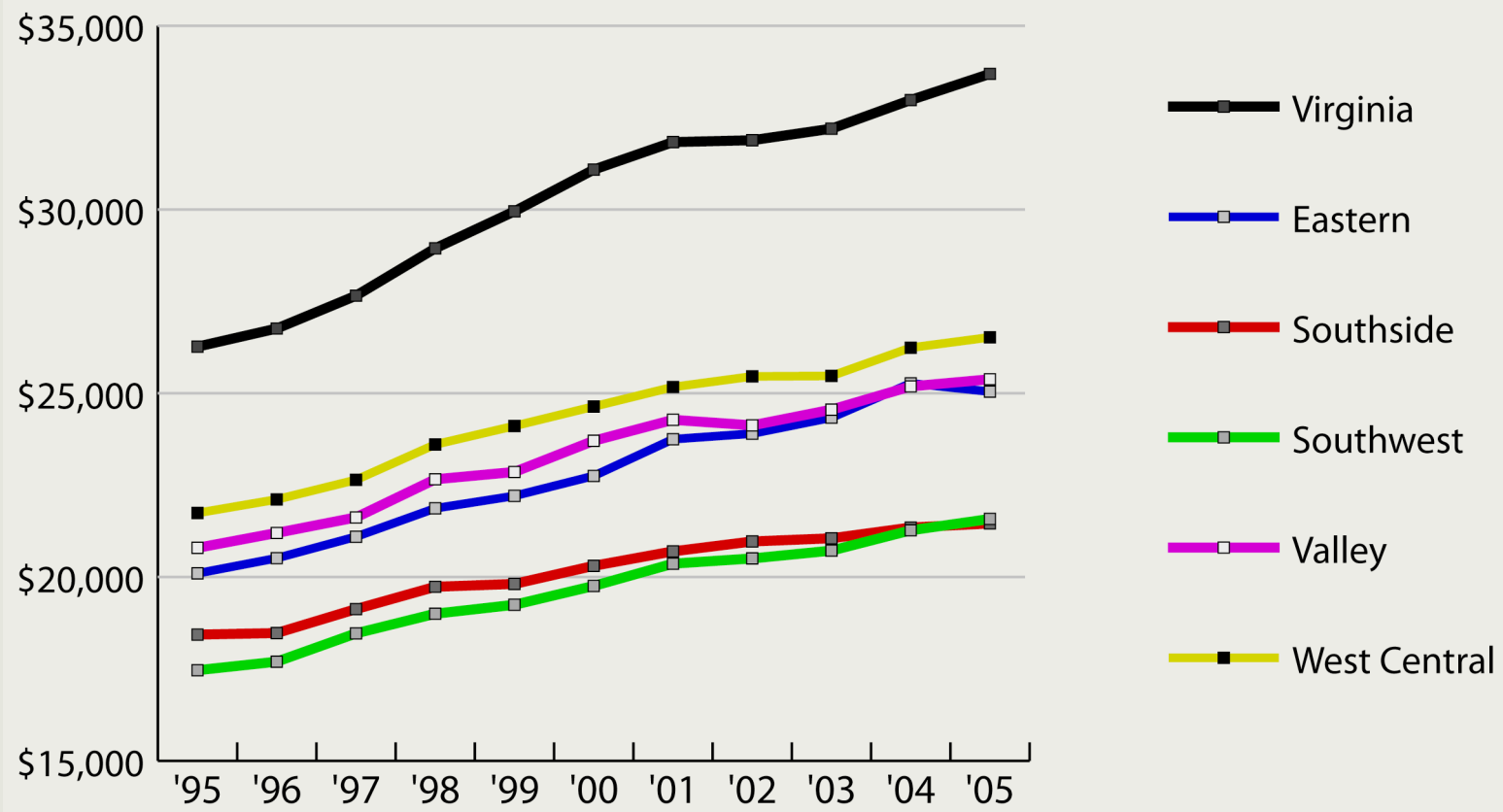


Maintaining

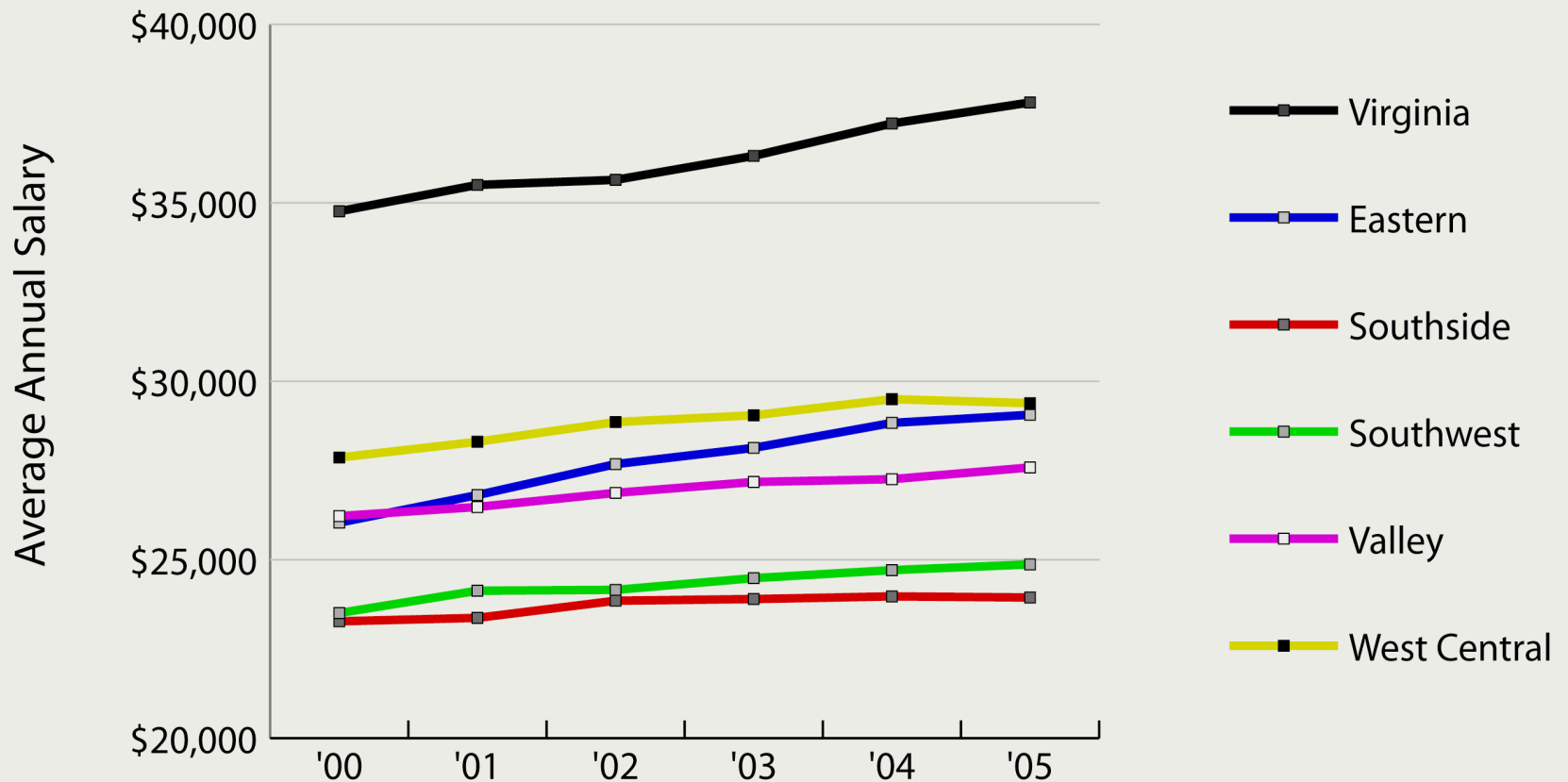


Worsening

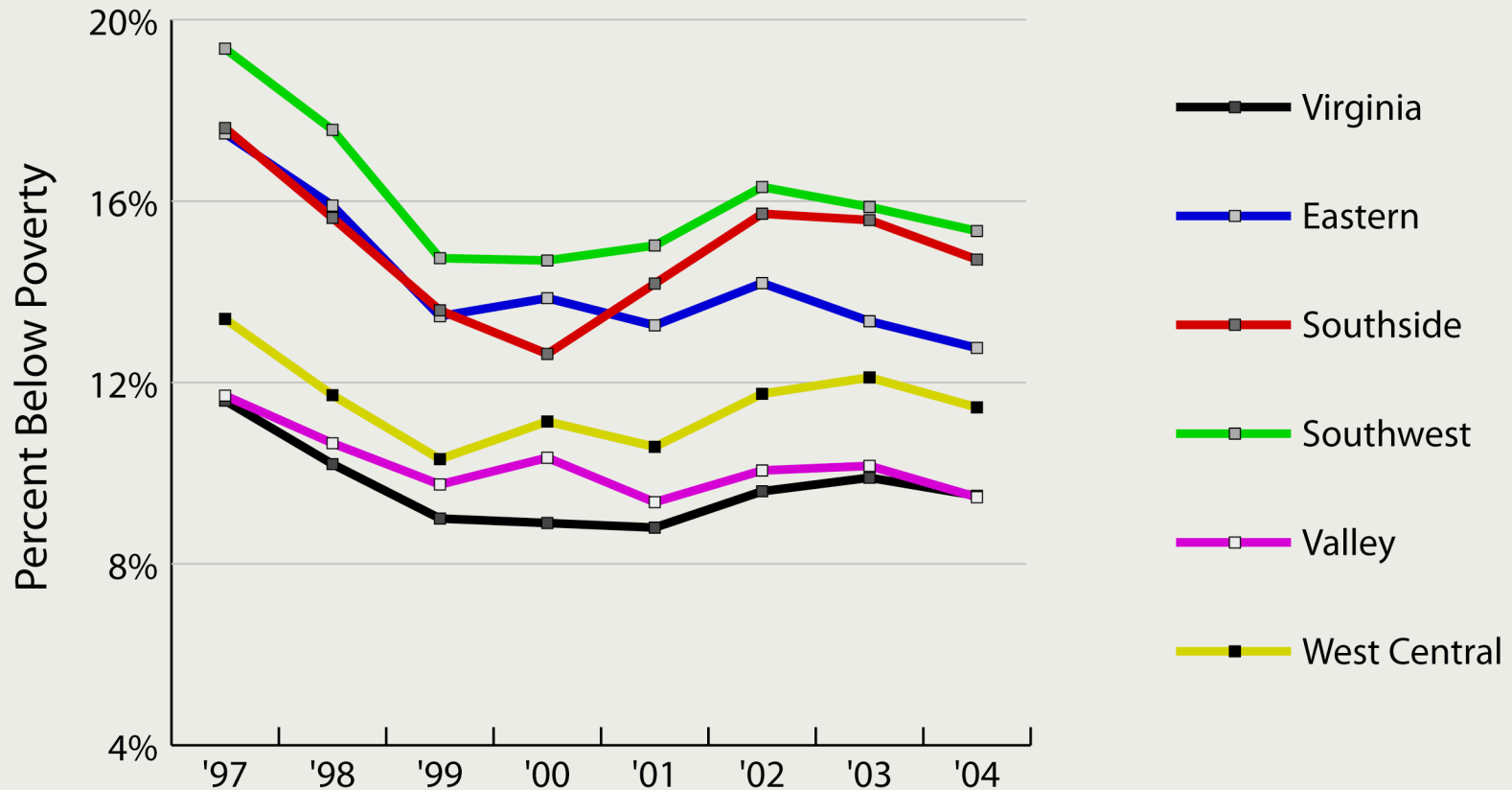
# Personal Income Adjusted for Inflation



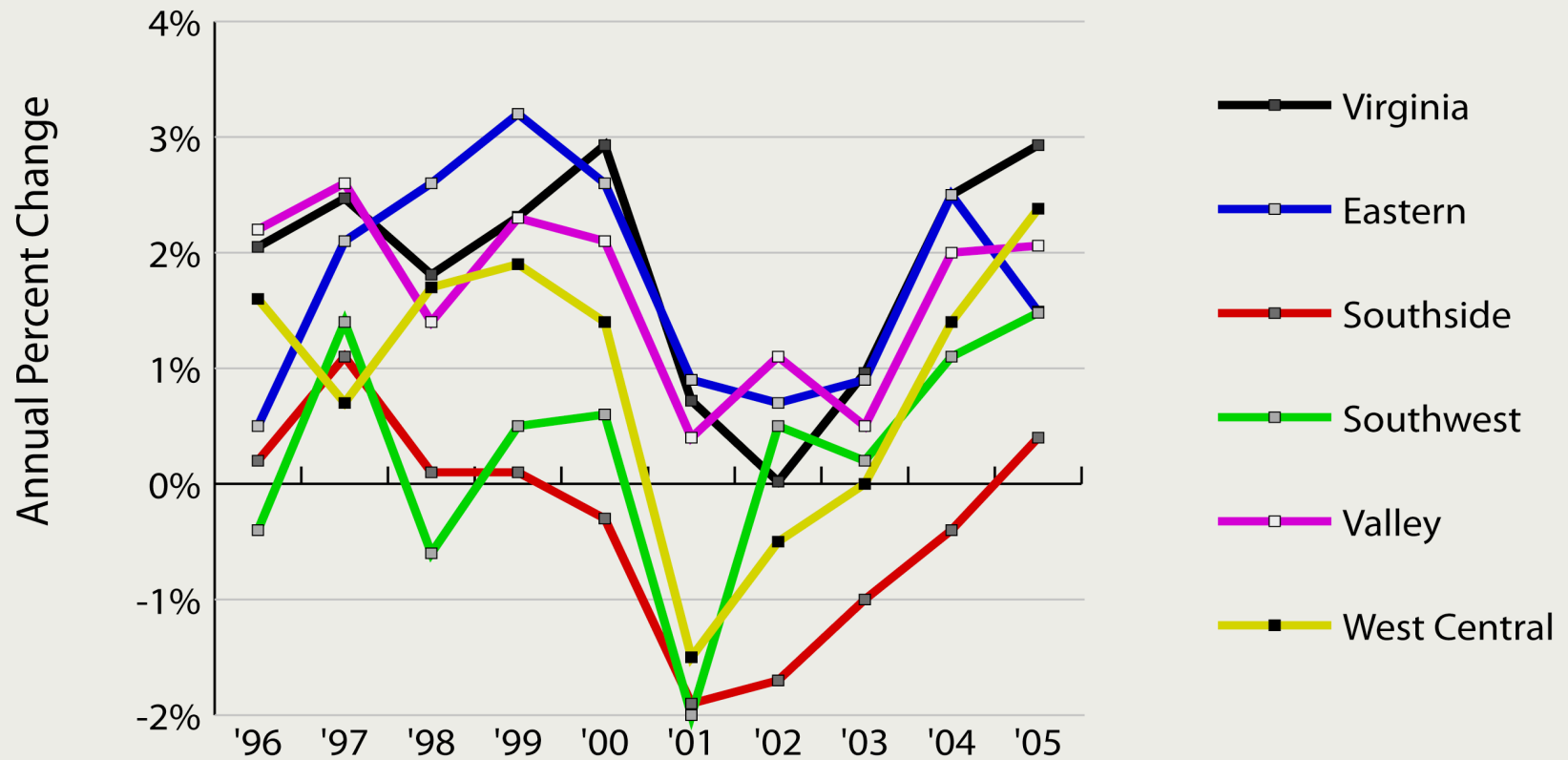
# Inflation-Adjusted Average Wages and Salaries



# Poverty Rates by Region

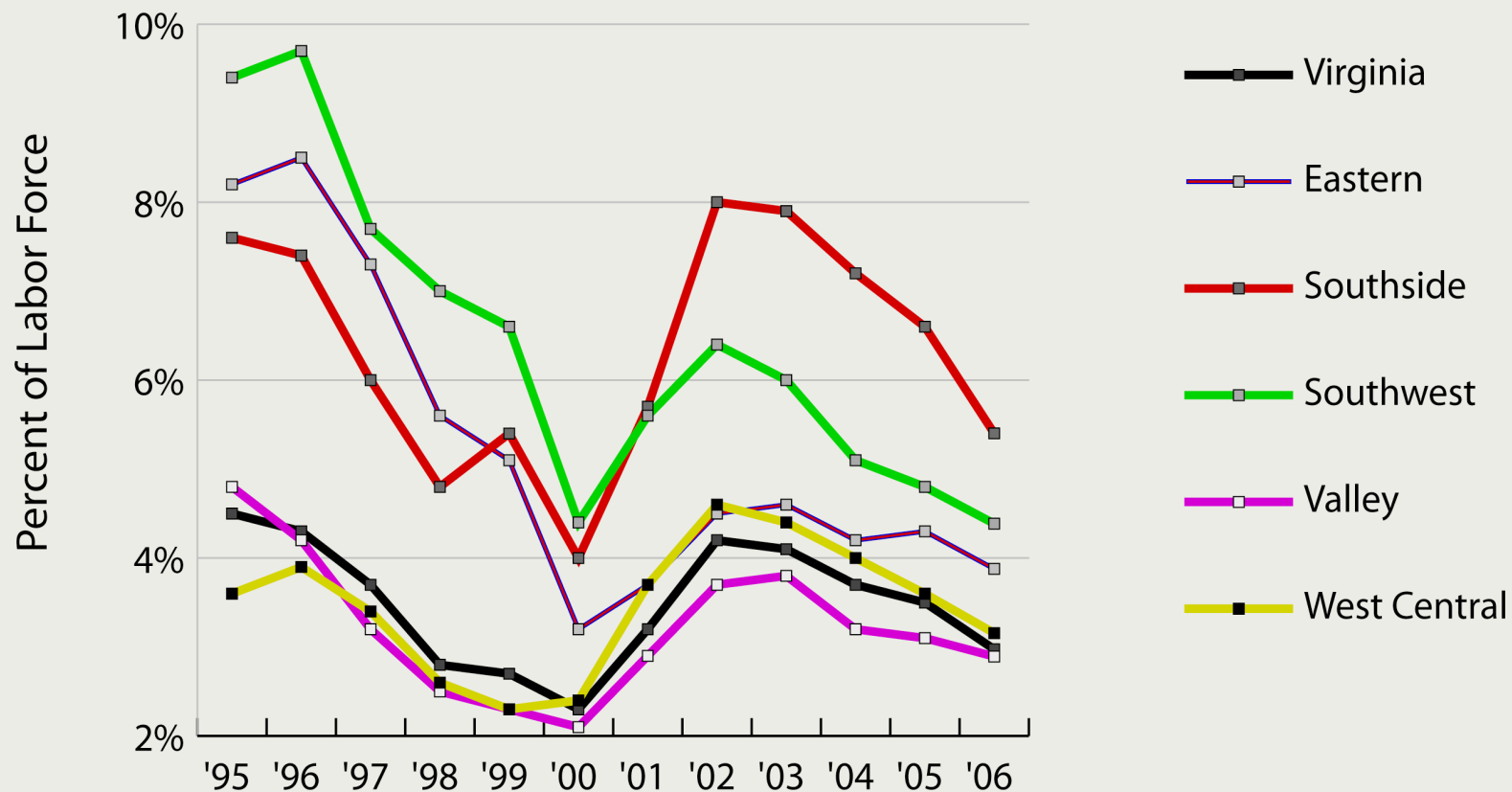


# Employment Growth by Region

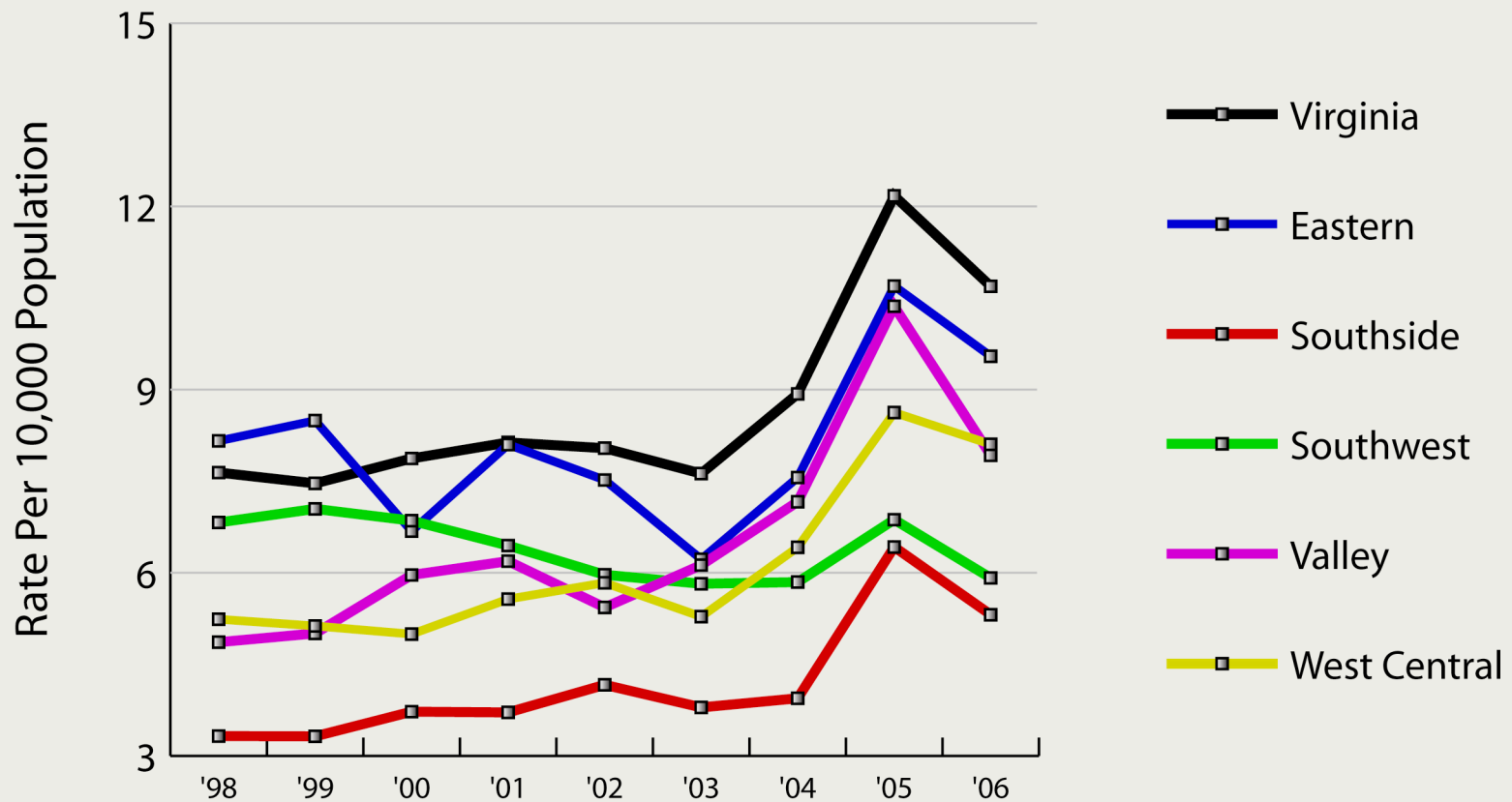




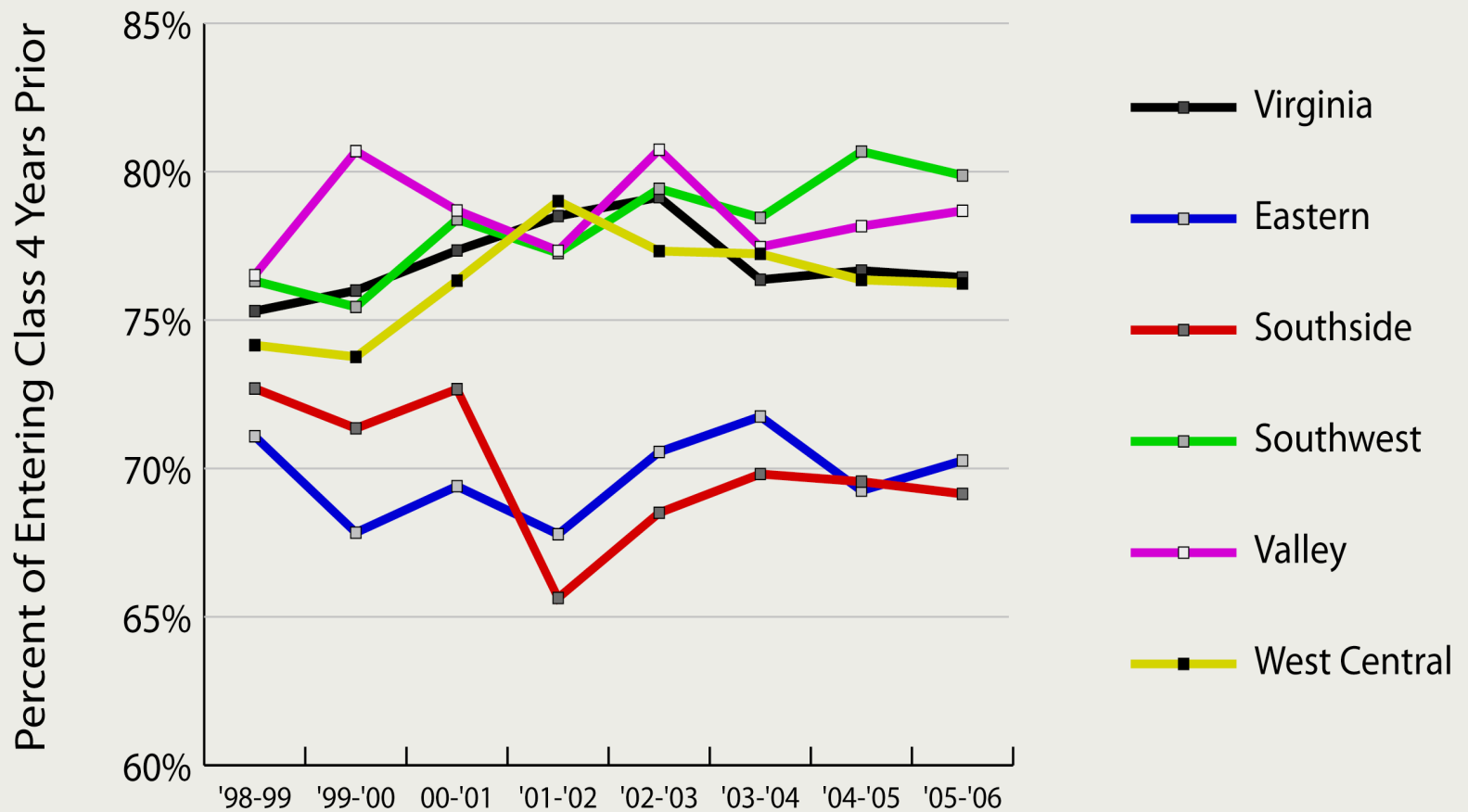
# Unemployment by Region



# Business Startups by Region

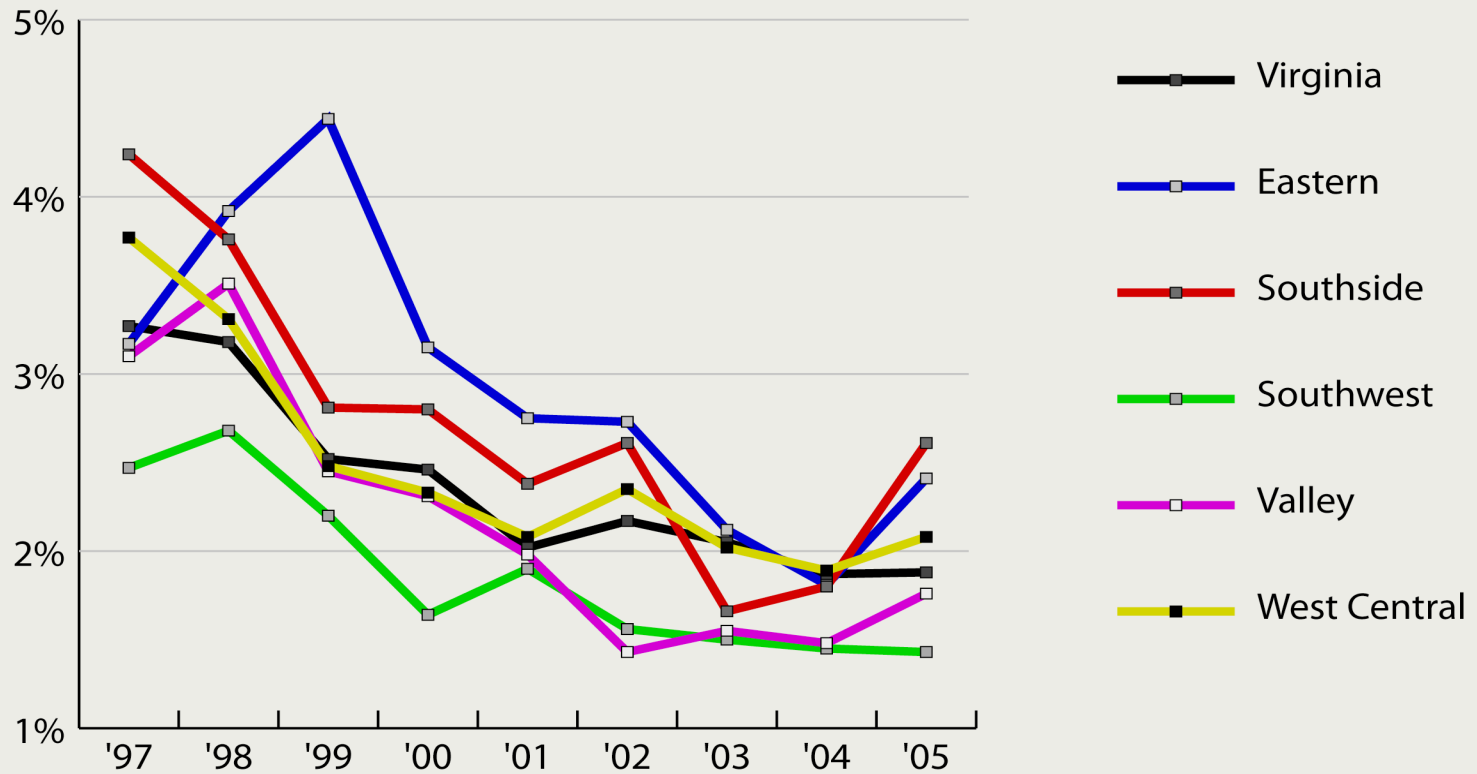


# High School Graduation Rates by Region

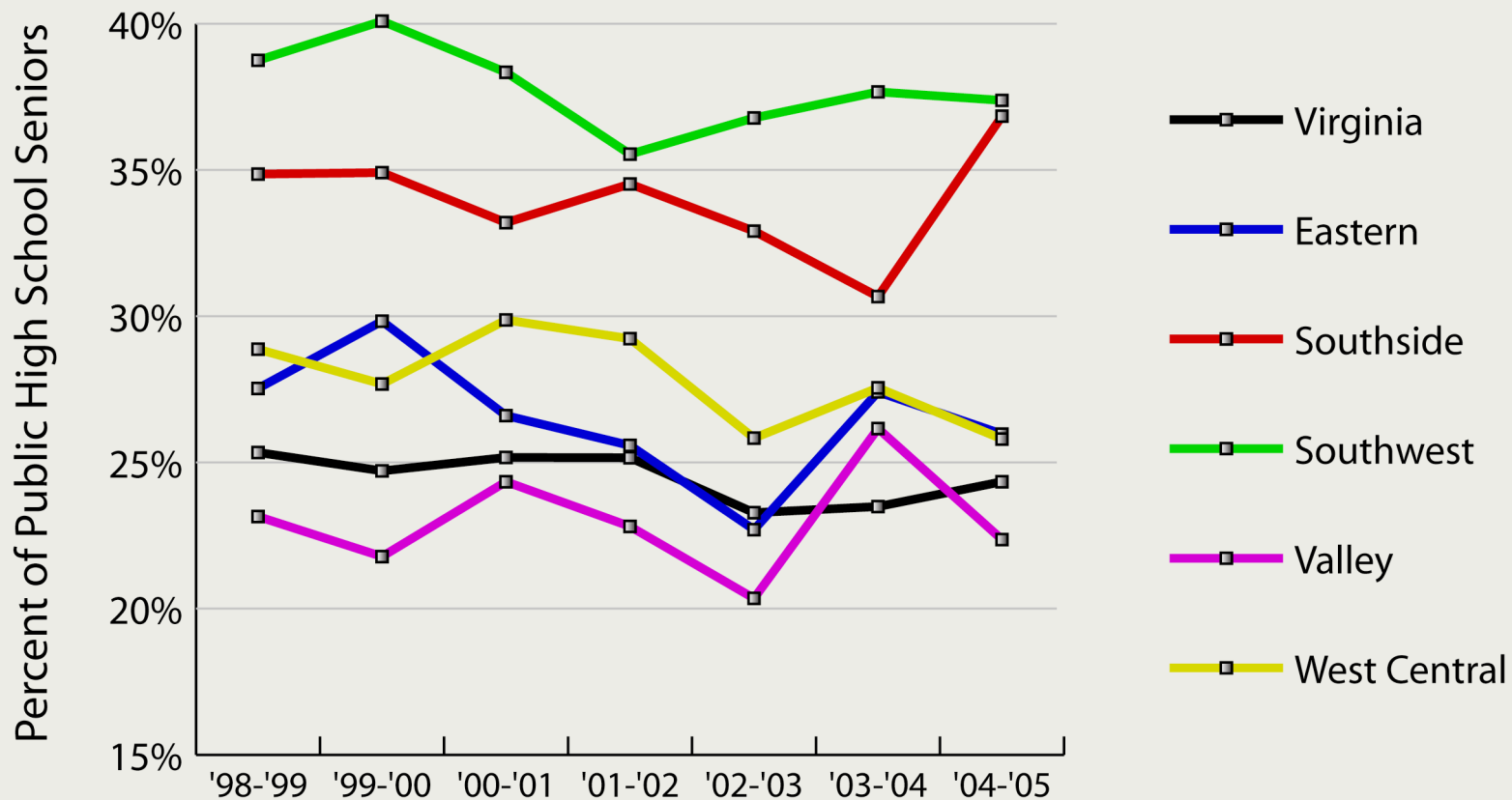


# High School Dropout Rates by Region

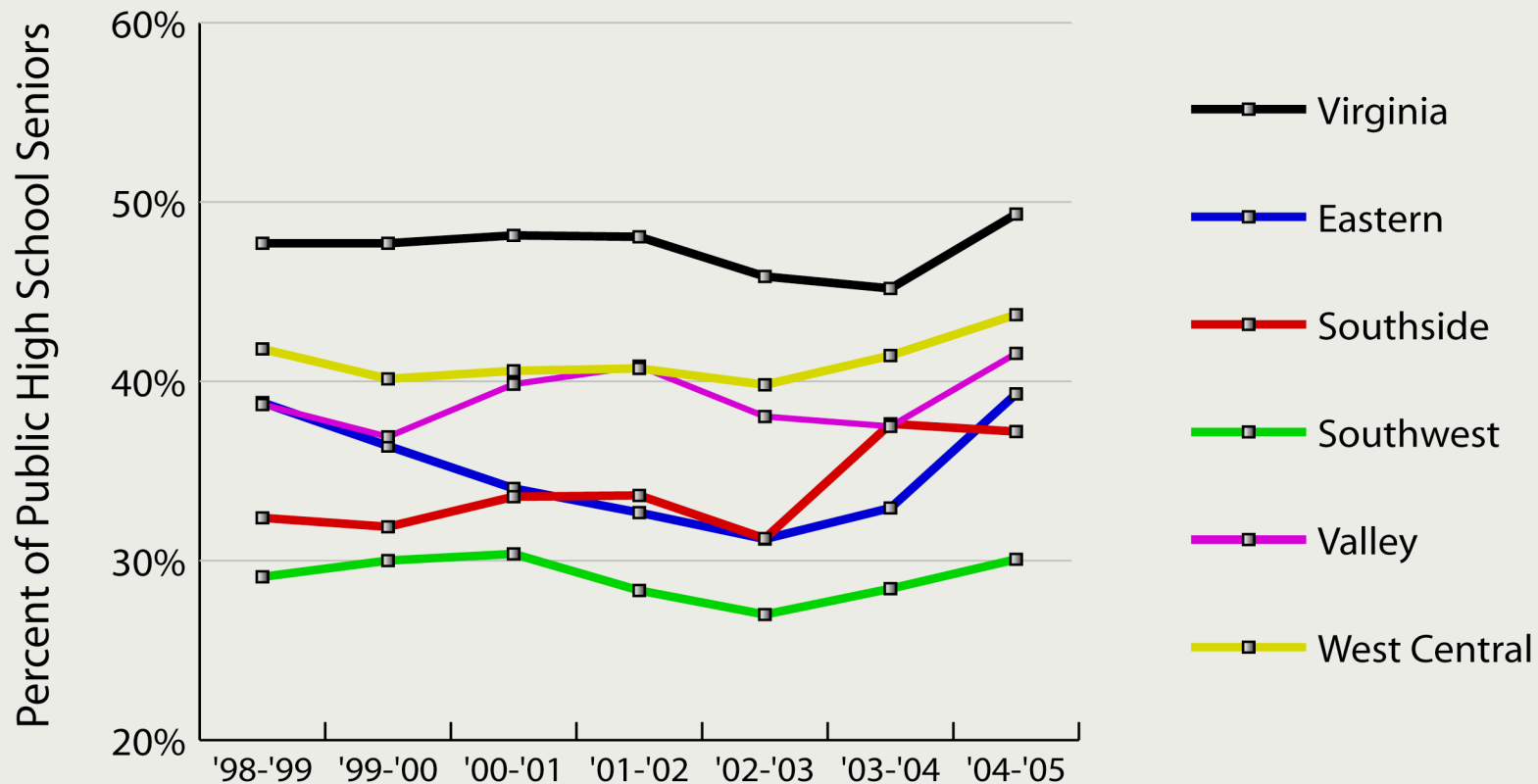
Percent of Public School Students, Grades 7-12



# High School Seniors Planning to Pursue an Associate's Degree

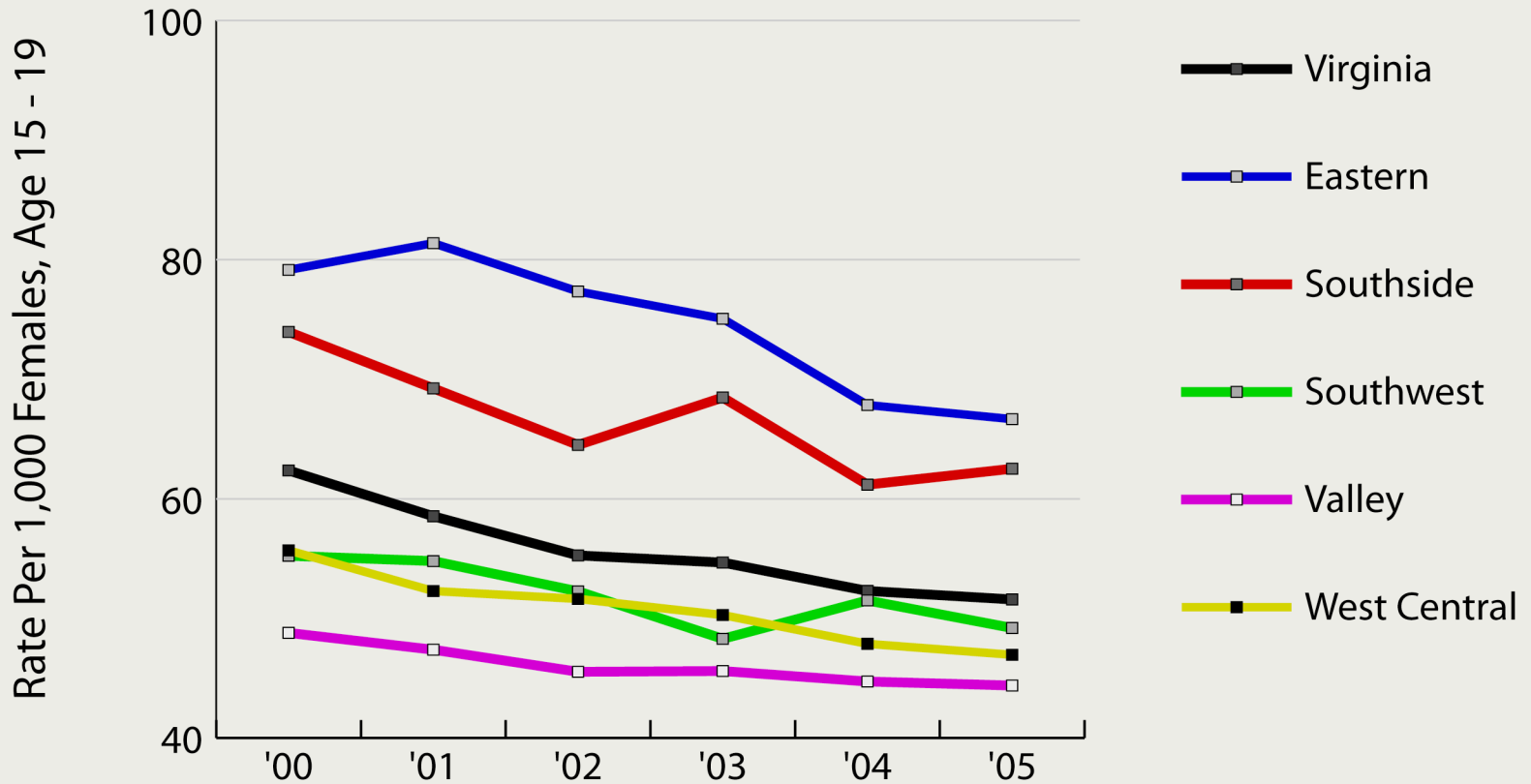


# High School Seniors Planning to Pursue a Bachelor's Degree

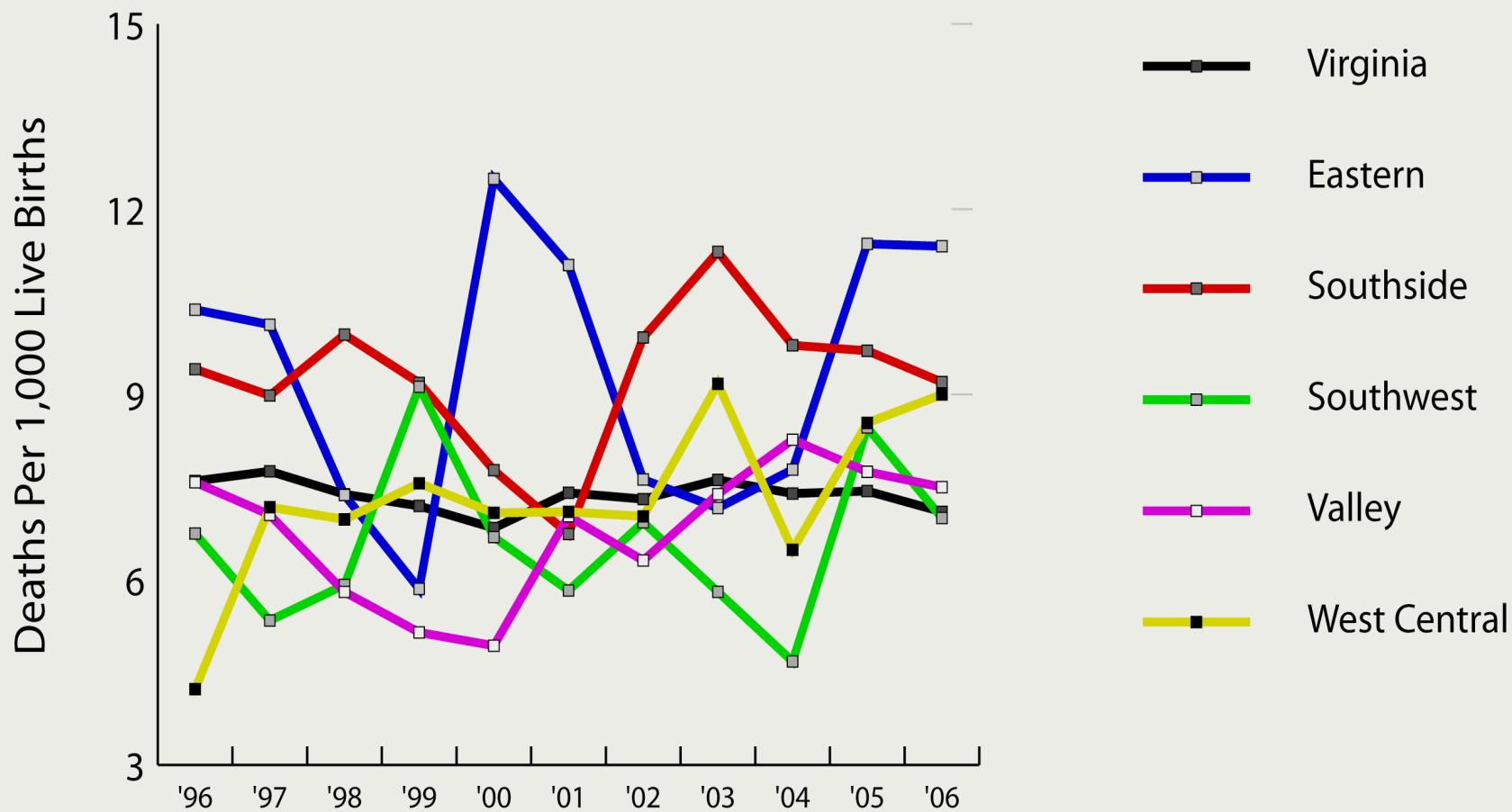




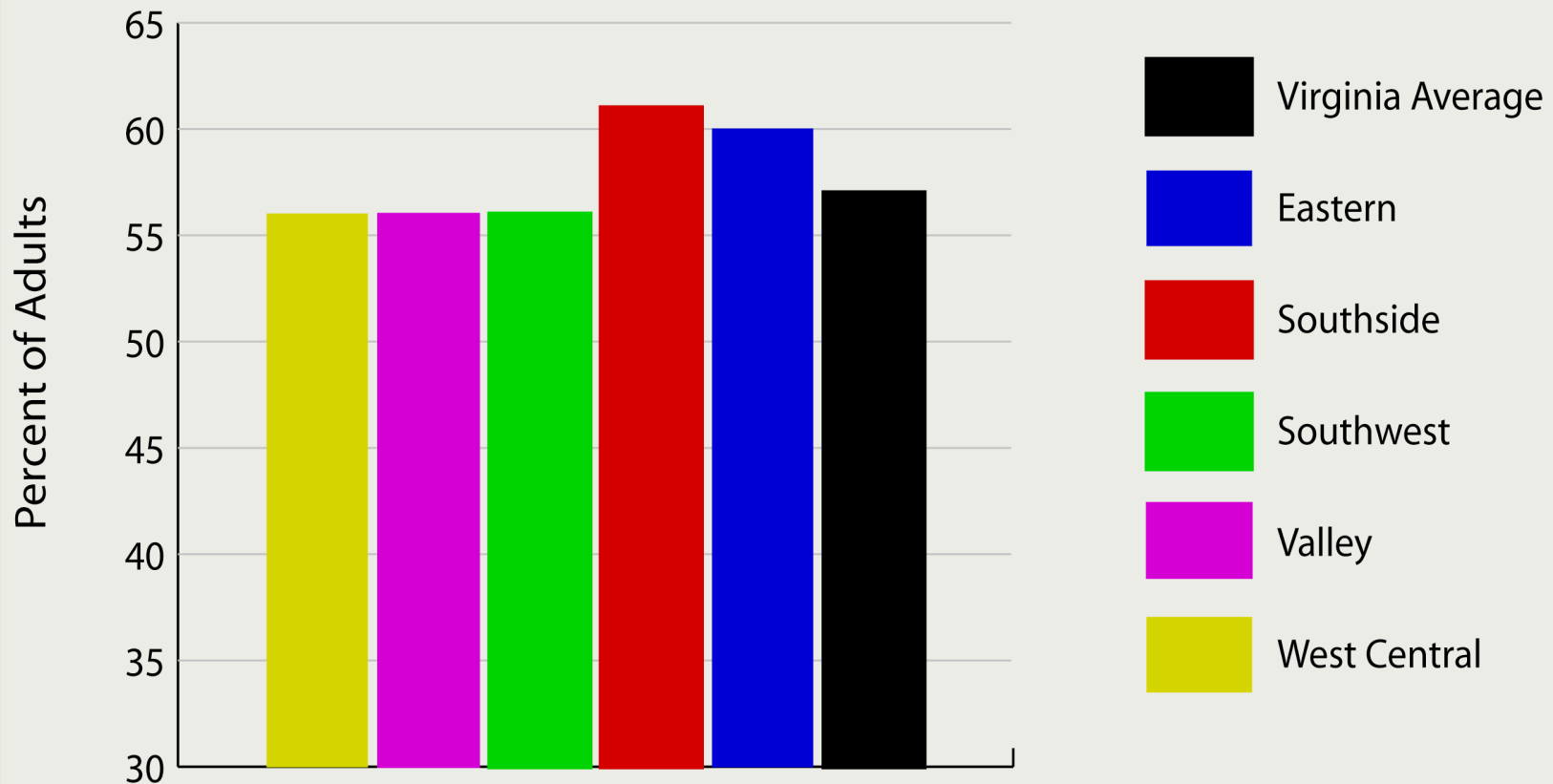
# Teen Pregnancy Rate by Region



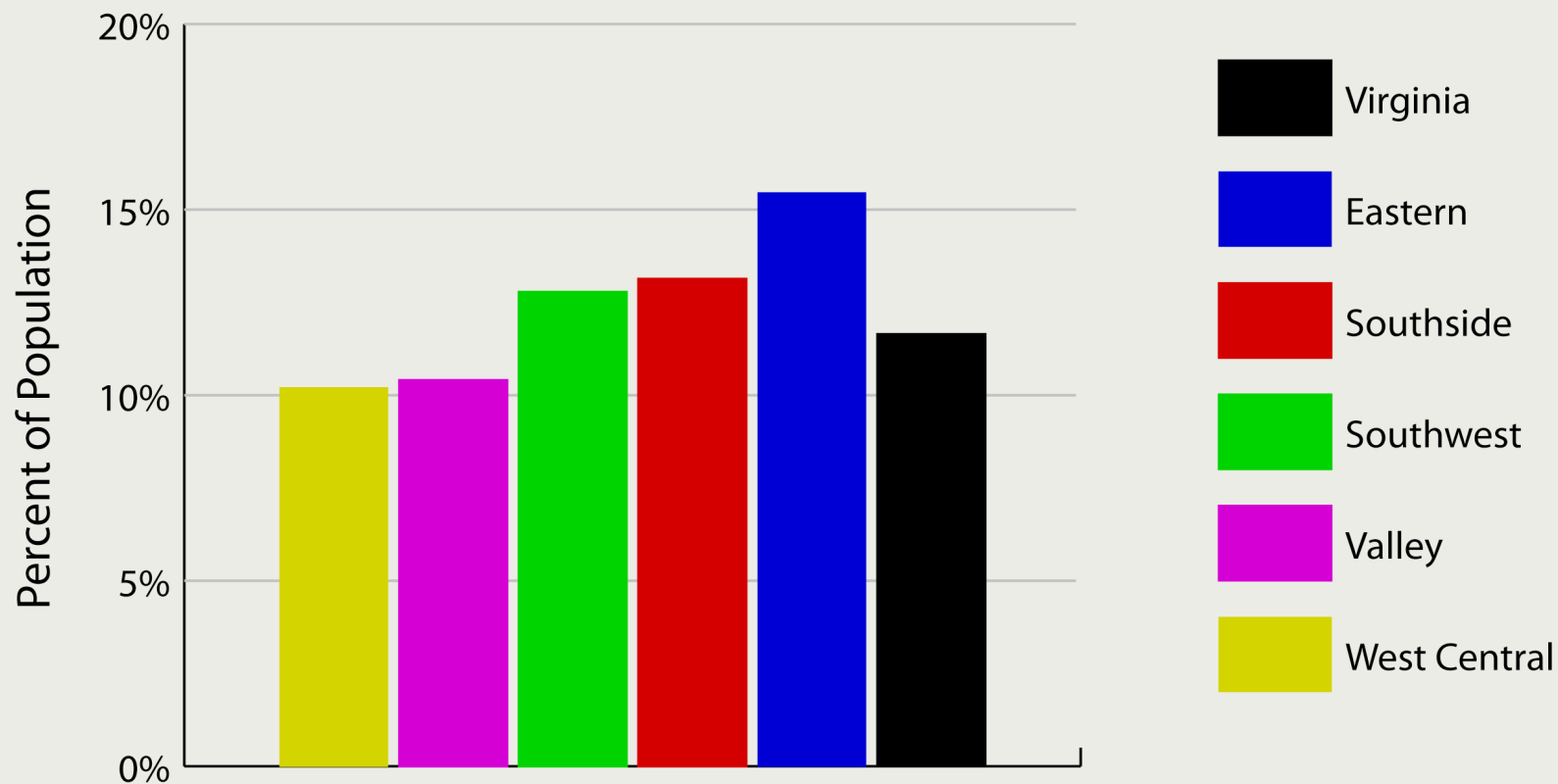
# Infant Mortality Rate by Region



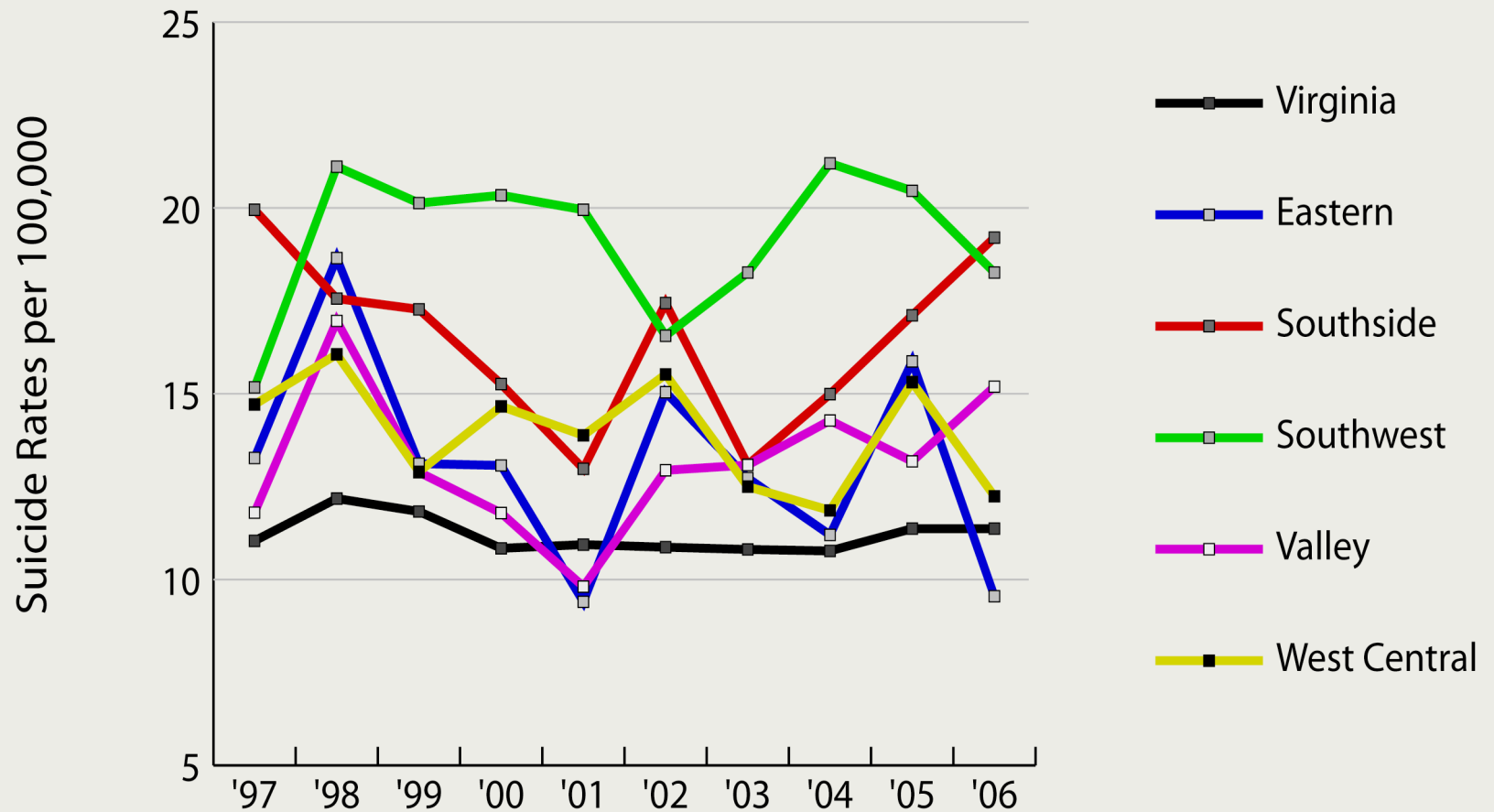
## Adults Overweight or Obese by Region, 2004



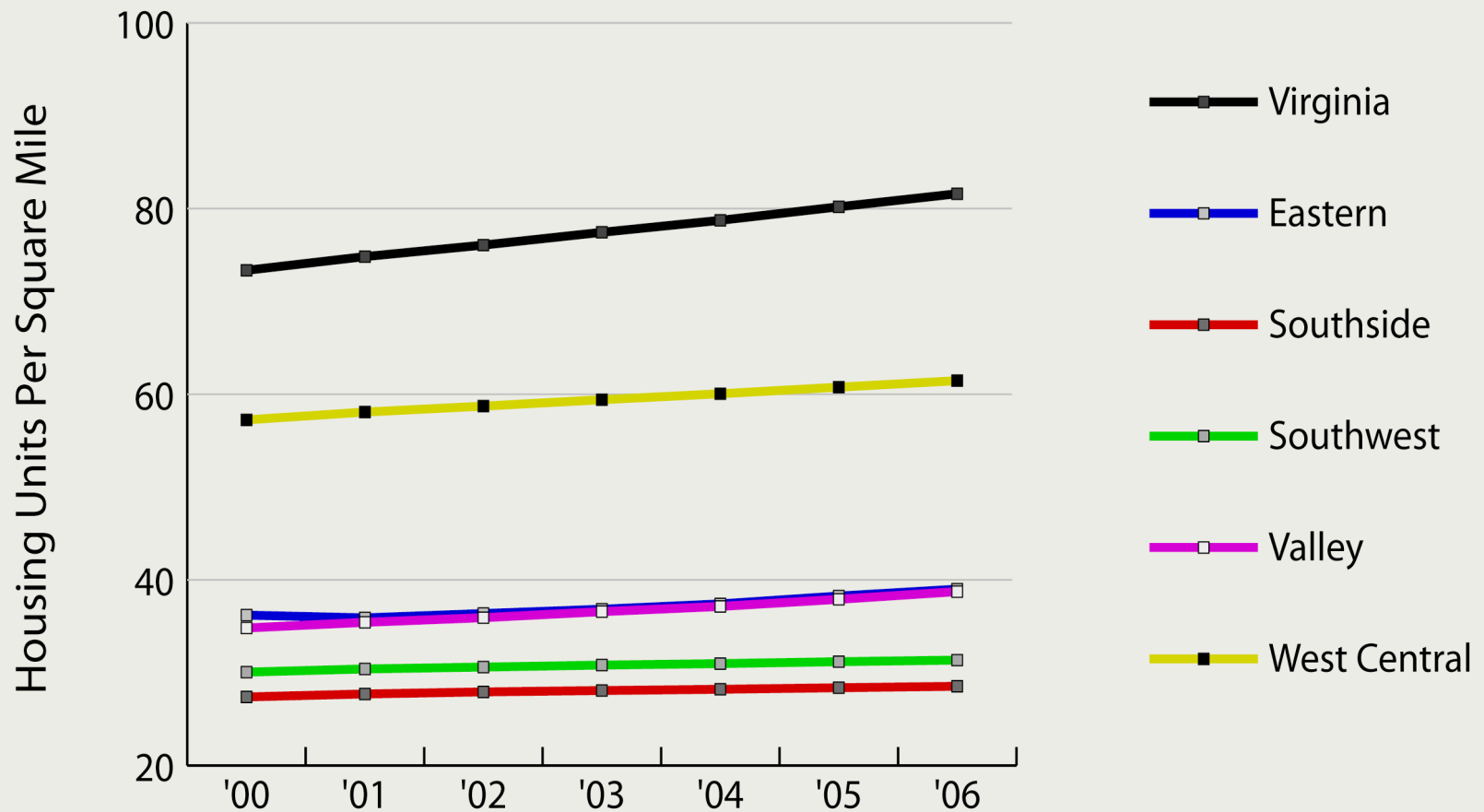
## Percent Uninsured by Region, 2000



# Suicide Rates by Region



# Land Use - Housing Density by Region



## Sites of Interest

Virginia Performs:

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